

FACT SHEET – Water Adequacy DRAFT 1-05-07

Current Law

Outside of the State's five Active Management Areas, developers of subdivisions must submit plans for the water supply for the subdivision to the Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) prior to recording the plat, unless the developer has a written commitment of service from a city, town, or private water company that has been Designated as having an Adequate Water Supply by ADWR. If the developer is unable to demonstrate that an Adequate Water Supply is available, the final plat for the subdivision can still be approved by the platting authority, however, the State Real Estate Commissioner (ADRE) requires that all promotional material and contracts for sale of lots within the subdivision must note that the subdivision does not have an adequate water supply. This allows for homes located in subdivisions without adequate water supplies to be sold to homeowners. Additionally, although the first person to purchase the property has to be notified of the inadequate water supply, subsequent purchasers are not required to be notified.

Proposed Modifications

The proposed modification is for subdivisions *outside of Active Management Areas.*

Title 11: Counties

- Allows counties to require new subdivisions to have a determination of adequate water supply from ADWR. Exemptions are allowed in three cases: (1) where subdivider has a vested right under the prior law; (3) where subdivision will be served by a water supply project that will be completed within 20 years and certain conditions are met; (3) where water will be transported to subdivision by motor vehicle or train and certain conditions are met).
- Requires counties that adopt adequacy requirements to notify ADWR and ADRE.
- Provides that the adoption of the Adequacy provision cannot be rescinded by the County at any time – although does allow for amendments if consistent with the statute.
- Requires notification of adequacy on each plat.

Title 9: Cities & Towns

- Prohibits a municipality within a County that **has adopted** the Adequacy provision to approve a subdivision plat without a determination of adequate water supply from ADWR. Exemptions are allowed in three cases: (1) where subdivider has a vested right under the prior law; (3) where subdivision will be served by a water supply project that will be completed within 20 years and certain conditions are met; (3) where water will be transported to subdivision by motor vehicle or train and certain conditions are met).
- Allows a municipality that is in a County that **does not adopt** the Adequacy provision to provide by ordinance that new subdivisions in that municipality must have a determination of adequate water supply from ADWR (certain exemptions are allowed).
- Requires notification of adequacy on each plat.

Title 32: Professions & Occupations (specifically, Chapter 20 – Real Estate)

- Requires subdividers located within a County or a municipality that has adopted regulations or ordinances that requires an Adequacy determination to notify ADRE that it has an adequate water supply.
- Provides that if the subdivision or timeshare property is located within a County or a municipality that has adopted regulations or ordinances that requires an Adequacy

determination, ADRE must deny issuance of a public report unless ADWR has determined an adequate water supply exists or an exemption applies.

Title 33: Property

- Requires a seller of real property to disclose to buyer if plat for property was approved by city, town or county pursuant to exemption for transportation of water by motor vehicle or train. Disclosure must be made before execution of sales contract and in the deed.

Title 45: Waters

- Requires ADWR to forward a copy of its water adequacy report for a new subdivision to ADRE and the local platting entity.
- Requires ADWR to notify all cities and towns in a county if the County has adopted the Adequacy provisions, outlined for Title 11 above.
- Defines Adequate Water Supply as groundwater, surface water or effluent that is continuously, legally and physically available and that subdivider has the financial capability to make the supply of water available for the proposed use.
- Provides for public notice, objections and administrative hearings of applications that have been issued in counties or municipalities that have adopted the adequacy provision.

Session Law:

- Requires director to include the projected demands of new developments projected to be built in cities, towns and counties that do not have mandatory adequacy requirements when determining physical availability for a subdivision in a city, town or county that requires adequacy.
- Requires director to amend Adequate Water Supply Rules to include criteria for making determinations pursuant to the exemption authorized for water projects that will be completed within 20 years.
- Requires director to amend Adequate Water Supply rules to include criteria for demonstrating a physically available water supply in specific aquifer systems and groundwater basins and sub-basins outside of active management areas.
- Requires director to consult with cities and towns that have an adequacy requirement when making the rule amendments.

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Water Adequacy Legislation

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Section 1. Section 9-463.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

9-463.01. Authority

A. Pursuant to the provisions of this article, the legislative body of every municipality shall regulate the subdivision of all lands within its corporate limits.

B. The legislative body of a municipality shall exercise the authority granted in subsection A of this section by ordinance prescribing:

1. Procedures to be followed in the preparation, submission, review and approval or rejection of all final plats.

2. Standards governing the design of subdivision plats.

3. Minimum requirements and standards for the installation of subdivision streets, sewer and water utilities and improvements as a condition of final plat approval.

C. By ordinance, the legislative body of any municipality shall:

1. Require the preparation, submission and approval of a preliminary plat as a condition precedent to submission of a final plat.

2. Establish the procedures to be followed in the preparation, submission, review and approval of preliminary plats.

3. Make requirements as to the form and content of preliminary plats.

4. Determine that certain lands may either not be subdivided, by reason of adverse topography, periodic inundation, adverse soils, subsidence of the earth's surface, high water table, lack of water or other natural or man-made hazard to life or property, or control the lot size, establish special grading and drainage requirements, and impose other regulations deemed reasonable and necessary for the public health, safety or general welfare on any lands to be subdivided affected by such characteristics.

5. Require payment of a proper and reasonable fee by the subdivider based upon the number of lots or parcels on the surface of the land to defray municipal costs of plat review and site inspection.

6. Require the dedication of public streets, sewer and water utility easements or rights-of-way, within the proposed subdivision.

7. Require the preparation and submission of acceptable engineering plans and specifications for the installation of required street, sewer, electric and water utilities, drainage, flood control, adequacy of water and improvements as a condition precedent to recordation of an approved final plat.

8. Require the posting of performance bonds, assurances or such other security as may be appropriate and necessary to assure the installation of required street, sewer, electric and water utilities, drainage, flood control and improvements meeting established minimum standards of design and construction.

D. The legislative body of any municipality may require by ordinance that land areas within a subdivision be reserved for parks, recreational facilities, school sites and fire stations subject to the following conditions:

1. The requirement may only be made upon preliminary plats filed at least thirty days after the adoption of a general or specific plan affecting the land area to be reserved.

2. The required reservations are in accordance with definite principles and standards adopted by the legislative body.

3. The land area reserved shall be of such a size and shape as to permit the remainder of the land area of the subdivision within which the reservation is located to develop in an orderly and efficient manner.

4. The land area reserved shall be in such multiples of streets and parcels as to permit an efficient division of the reserved area in the event that it is not acquired within the prescribed period.

E. The public agency for whose benefit an area has been reserved shall have a period of one year after recording the final subdivision plat to enter into an agreement to acquire such reserved land area. The purchase price shall be the fair market value of the reserved land area at the time of the filing of the preliminary subdivision plat plus the taxes against such reserved area from the date of the reservation and any other costs incurred by the subdivider in the maintenance of such reserved area, including the interest cost incurred on any loan covering such reserved area.

F. If the public agency for whose benefit an area has been reserved does not exercise the reservation agreement set forth in subsection E of this section within such one year period or such extended period as may be mutually agreed upon by such public agency and the subdivider, the reservation of such area shall terminate.

G. The legislative body of every municipality shall comply with all provisions of this article and applicable state statutes pertaining to the hearing, approval or rejection, and recordation of:

1. Final subdivision plats.

2. Plats filed for the purpose of reverting to acreage of land previously subdivided.

3. Plats filed for the purpose of vacating streets or easements previously dedicated to the public.

4. Plats filed for the purpose of vacating or redescribing lot or parcel boundaries previously recorded.

H. Approval of every preliminary and final plat by a legislative body is conditioned upon compliance by the subdivider with:

1. Rules as may be established by the department of transportation relating to provisions for the safety of entrance upon and departure from abutting state primary highways.

2. Rules as may be established by a county flood control district relating to the construction or prevention of construction of streets in land established as being subject to periodic inundation.

3. Rules as may be established by the department of health services or a county health department relating to the provision of domestic water supply and sanitary sewage disposal.

I. If the subdivision is comprised of subdivided lands, as defined in section 32-2101, and is within a ~~groundwater~~ AN active management area, as defined in section 45-402, the final plat shall not be approved unless it is accompanied by a certificate of assured water supply issued by the director of water resources, or unless the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-576 or is exempt from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576. The legislative body of the municipality shall note on the face of the final plat that a certificate of assured water supply has been submitted with the plat or that the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the proposed subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply, pursuant to section 45-576 or is exempt from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576.

J. EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION K OF THIS SECTION, IF THE SUBDIVISION IS COMPRISED OF SUBDIVIDED LANDS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 32-2101, OUTSIDE OF AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA AND THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS GIVEN WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE MUNICIPALITY PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108, SUBSECTION H, THE FINAL PLAT SHALL NOT BE APPROVED UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES **[Note: Section 45-108, subsection H provides that if a county adopts the mandatory adequacy requirement authorized by section 11-806, subsection F, the director of water resources shall give written notice of the county's adoption of the requirement to all cities and towns in the county]:**

1. THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE IS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108 AND THE SUBDIVIDER HAS INCLUDED THE REPORT WITH THE PLAT.

2. THE SUBDIVIDER HAS OBTAINED A WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE SUBDIVISION FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108.

K. THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A MUNICIPALITY THAT HAS RECEIVED WRITTEN NOTICE FROM THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108, SUBSECTION H:

1. SHALL PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REQUIREMENT IN SUBSECTION J IF THE SUBDIVIDER HAS ACQUIRED A VESTED RIGHT UNDER COMMON LAW TO PROCEED UNDER THE LAW IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE MUNICIPALITY RECEIVED THE WRITTEN NOTICE. **[Note: In a 1980 Attorney General Opinion addressing the then newly enacted assured water**

supply statutes, the AG stated that under common law (i.e., court-made law), a subdivider may have a vested right under the prior law which might exempt the subdivider from the assured water supply requirements. It was stated that a vested right might be acquired when substantial investments have been made in good faith in reliance on the continuation of the prior law. Op. Ariz. Att’y Gen. 180-206 (1980).]

2. MAY PROVIDE BY ORDINANCE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE REQUIREMENT IN SUBSECTION J UNDER ONE OR BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

(a). THE SUBDIVISION WILL BE SERVED BY A WATER SUPPLY PROJECT THAT IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

(i) THE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN TWENTY YEARS.

(ii) THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THE SUBDIVISION WILL HAVE AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY WHEN THE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT IS COMPLETED.

(iii) THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THE INTERIM WATER SUPPLY THAT WILL SERVE THE SUBDIVISION UNTIL THE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT IS COMPLETED MEETS ALL OF THE CRITERIA FOR AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-108 EXCEPT THAT THE WATER SUPPLY WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

(b) THE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO THE SUBDIVISION BY MOTOR VEHICLE OR TRAIN AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

(i) THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THE WATER SUPPLY DOES NOT MEET THE CRITERIA FOR AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-108.

(ii) THE LEGISLATIVE BODY DETERMINES THAT THERE IS NO FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION AND THAT THE TRANSPORTATION OF WATER TO THE SUBDIVISION WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT RISK TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE SUBDIVISION.

(iii) THE LEGISLATIVE BODY DETERMINES THAT THE WITHDRAWAL OR DIVERSION OF THE WATER FOR TRANSPORTATION TO THE SUBDIVISION WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE HEALTH OR SAFETY OF EXISTING WATER USERS.

L. A MUNICIPALITY THAT ADOPTS AN EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION K, PARAGRAPH 2 SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE EXEMPTION, INCLUDING A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE ORDINANCE CONTAINING THE EXEMPTION, TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER.

M. IF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A MUNICIPALITY APPROVES A SUBDIVISION PLAT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION J, PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2, THE LEGISLATIVE BODY SHALL NOTE ON THE FACE OF THE PLAT THAT THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS REPORTED THAT THE SUBDIVISION HAS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY OR THAT THE SUBDIVIDER HAS OBTAINED A COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108. IF THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A MUNICIPALITY APPROVES A SUBDIVISION PLAT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SUBSECTION K, PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2, THE LEGISLATIVE BODY SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE APPROVAL TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AND SHALL NOTE ON THE FACE OF THE PLAT THAT THE CONDITIONS OF THE EXEMPTION WERE MET.

N. IF A MUNICIPALITY HAS NOT BEEN GIVEN WRITTEN NOTICE BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108, SUBSECTION H, THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE MUNICIPALITY MAY, TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY, PROVIDE BY ORDINANCE THAT THE FINAL PLAT OF A SUBDIVISION LOCATED WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY AND OUTSIDE OF AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA WILL NOT BE APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY UNLESS THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE IS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108 OR THE SUBDIVIDER HAS OBTAINED A WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE SUBDIVISION FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108. THE ORDINANCE MAY PROVIDE FOR ONE OR MORE OF THE EXEMPTIONS DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION K, PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2. A MUNICIPALITY THAT ENACTS AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE ORDINANCE, INCLUDING A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE ORDINANCE, TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER.

J. O. Every municipality is responsible for the recordation of all final plats approved by the legislative body and shall receive from the subdivider and transmit to the county recorder the recordation fee established by the county recorder.

~~K.~~ P. Pursuant to provisions of applicable state statutes, the legislative body of any municipality may itself prepare or have prepared a plat for the subdivision of land under municipal ownership.

~~L.~~ Q. The legislative bodies of cities and towns may by ordinance regulate land splits within their corporate limits. Authority granted under this section refers to the determination of division lines, area and shape of the tracts or parcels and does not include authority to regulate the terms or condition of the sale or lease nor does it include

the authority to regulate the sale or lease of tracts or parcels that are not the result of land splits as defined in section 9-463.

M. R. For any subdivision that consists of ten or fewer lots, tracts or parcels, each of which is of a size as prescribed by the legislative body, the legislative body of each municipality may waive the requirement to prepare, submit and receive approval of a preliminary plat as a condition precedent to submitting a final plat and may waive or reduce infrastructure standards or requirements except for improved dust-controlled access and minimum drainage improvements.

Sec. 2. Section 11-806.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

11-806.01. Subdivision regulation; platting regulations; violation; classification; easement vesting

A. The county board of supervisors shall regulate the subdivision of all lands within its corporate limits, except subdivisions which are regulated by municipalities.

B. No plat of a subdivision of land within the area of jurisdiction of such county shall be accepted for recording or recorded until it has been approved by the board. The approval of the board shall be endorsed in writing on the plat and shall also include specific identification and approval of the assurances except those for hiking and equestrian trails required by this section. If a county planning and zoning commission exists, the plat may be referred to such commission for its consideration and the board may receive the recommendation of the commission. If the subdivision is comprised of subdivided land, as defined in section 32-2101, and is within ~~a groundwater~~ AN active management area, as defined in section 45-402, the plat shall not be approved unless it is accompanied by a certificate of assured water supply issued by the director of water resources, or unless the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-576 or is exempt from such requirement pursuant to section 45-576. The board shall note on the face of the plat that a certificate of assured water supply has been submitted with the plat or that the subdivider has obtained a commitment of water service for the proposed subdivision ~~for~~ FROM a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply, pursuant to section 45-576.

C. Any person causing a final plat to be recorded without first submitting the plat and obtaining approval of the board is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor. No county recorder shall accept for recording or record any plat which has not been approved as provided by this article.

D. The ground of refusal or approval of any plat submitted, including citation of or reference to the rule or regulation violated by the plat, shall be stated upon the record of the board.

E. The commission shall recommend to the board and the board shall adopt general regulations of uniform application governing plats and subdivisions of land within its area of jurisdiction. The regulations adopted shall secure and provide for the proper arrangement of streets or other highways in relation to existing or planned streets, highways or bicycle facilities or to the official map for adequate and convenient open

spaces for traffic, utilities, drainage, access of fire fighting apparatus, recreation, light and air. The board may adopt general regulations to provide for the proper arrangement of hiking and equestrian trails in relation to existing or planned streets or highways, and if adopted, such hiking and equestrian trails shall conform to the official map for adequate and convenient open spaces for traffic, utilities, drainage, access of fire fighting apparatus, recreation, light and air. The general regulations may provide for modification by the commission in planned area development or specific cases where unusual topographical or other exceptional conditions may require such action. The regulations shall include provisions as to the extent to which streets and other highways shall be graded and improved and to which water, sewer or other utility mains, piping or other facilities shall be installed or provided for on the plat as a condition precedent to the approval of the final plat.

F. TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY, THE GENERAL REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE BOARD PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION E MAY PROVIDE THAT THE BOARD SHALL NOT APPROVE A FINAL PLAT FOR A SUBDIVISION COMPRISED OF SUBDIVIDED LANDS, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 32-2101, LOCATED OUTSIDE OF AN ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREA, AS DEFINED IN SECTION 45-402, UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

1. THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE IS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108 AND THE SUBDIVIDER HAS INCLUDED THE REPORT WITH THE PLAT.

2. THE SUBDIVIDER HAS OBTAINED A WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE SUBDIVISION FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108.

G. IF THE BOARD ADOPTS THE PROVISION AUTHORIZED BY SUBSECTION F:

1. THE BOARD SHALL PROVIDE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISION IF THE SUBDIVIDER HAS ACQUIRED A VESTED RIGHT UNDER COMMON LAW TO PROCEED UNDER THE LAW IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THE PROVISION WAS ADOPTED.

2. THE BOARD MAY INCLUDE IN THE GENERAL REGULATIONS AN EXEMPTION FROM THE PROVISION UNDER ONE OR BOTH OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES:

(a) THE SUBDIVISION WILL BE SERVED BY A WATER SUPPLY PROJECT THAT IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

(i) THE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT WILL BE COMPLETED WITHIN TWENTY YEARS.

(ii) THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THE SUBDIVISION WILL HAVE AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY WHEN THE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT IS COMPLETED.

(iii) THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THE INTERIM WATER SUPPLY THAT WILL SERVE THE SUBDIVISION UNTIL THE WATER SUPPLY PROJECT IS COMPLETED MEETS ALL OF THE CRITERIA FOR AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-108 EXCEPT THAT THE WATER SUPPLY WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

(b) THE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION WILL BE TRANSPORTED TO THE SUBDIVISION BY MOTOR VEHICLE OR TRAIN AND ALL OF THE FOLLOWING APPLY:

(i) THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS DETERMINED THAT THE WATER SUPPLY DOES NOT MEET ALL OF THE CRITERIA FOR AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-108.

(ii) THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT THERE IS NO FEASIBLE ALTERNATIVE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION AND THAT THE TRANSPORTATION OF WATER TO THE SUBDIVISION WILL NOT CONSTITUTE A SIGNIFICANT RISK TO THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE SUBDIVISION.

(iii) THE BOARD DETERMINES THAT THE WITHDRAWAL OR DIVERSION OF THE WATER FOR TRANSPORTATION TO THE SUBDIVISION WILL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE HEALTH OR SAFETY OF EXISTING WATER USERS.

3. THE BOARD SHALL PROMPTLY GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE ADOPTION OF THE PROVISION, INCLUDING ANY EXEMPTION ADOPTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 2, TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER. THE NOTICE SHALL INCLUDE A CERTIFIED COPY OF THE PROVISION AND ANY EXEMPTIONS.

4. THE BOARD SHALL NOT RESCIND THE PROVISION OR AMEND IT IN A MANNER THAT IS INCONSISTENT WITH SUBSECTION F. IF THE BOARD AMENDS THE PROVISION, IT SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE AMENDMENT TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER. THE BOARD MAY RESCIND ANY EXEMPTION ADOPTED PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH 2. IF THE BOARD RESCINDS AN EXEMPTION, IT SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE RESCISSION TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AND THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER.

5. IF THE BOARD APPROVES A SUBDIVISION PLAT PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION F, PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2, THE BOARD SHALL NOTE ON THE FACE OF THE PLAT THAT THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS REPORTED THAT THE SUBDIVISION HAS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY OR THAT THE SUBDIVIDER HAS OBTAINED A COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE PROPOSED SUBDIVISION FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER

COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108. IF THE BOARD APPROVES A SUBDIVISION PLAT PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2, THE BOARD SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE APPROVAL TO THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES AND SHALL NOTE ON THE FACE OF THE PLAT THAT THE CONDITIONS OF THE EXEMPTION WERE MET.

~~F.~~ H. On recording of a plat, the fee of the streets, alleys, avenues, highways, easements, parks and other parcels of ground reserved to the use of the public vests in trust in the county for the uses and to the extent depicted on the plat including, but not limited to, ingress and egress easements depicted on such plat. On annexation by any city or town such fee automatically vests in the city or town.

~~G.~~ I. Boards of supervisors of counties shall prepare specifications and make orders, inspections, examinations and certificates as may be necessary to protect and complete the provisions and make them effective. The regulations shall require the posting of performance bonds, assurances or such other security as may be appropriate and necessary to assure the installation of required street, sewer, electric and water utilities, drainage, flood control and improvements meeting established minimum standards of design and construction.

~~H.~~ J. Before adoption of regulations by the board or any amendment as provided in this article, a public hearing shall be held by the commission. A copy of the regulations shall be certified by the commission to the county board of supervisors which shall hold a public hearing after notice of the time and place has been given by one publication fifteen days prior to the public hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the county.

~~I.~~ K. Approval of a plat shall not be deemed to constitute or effect an acceptance by the county for designation of any street, highway, bicycle facility or other way or open space shown upon the plat into the county maintenance system except for hiking and equestrian trails which shall be constructed and maintained by the county. However, at such time as the streets, highways, bicycle facilities or other ways are fully completed in accordance with the approved plat and written specifications made by the county board, the county shall accept such streets, highways, bicycle facilities and other ways into the county maintenance system within one year of completion.

~~J.~~ L. For any subdivision that consists of lots, tracts or parcels, each of which is of a size as prescribed by the board of supervisors, the board may waive the requirement to prepare, submit and receive approval of a preliminary plat as a condition precedent to submitting a final plat and may waive or reduce infrastructure standards or requirements except for improved dust-controlled access and minimum drainage improvements.

Sec. 3. Section 32-2181, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

32-2181. Notice to commissioner of intention to subdivide lands; unlawful acting in concert; exceptions; deed restrictions; definition

A. Before offering subdivided lands for sale or lease, the subdivider shall notify the commissioner in writing of the subdivider's intention. The notice shall contain:

1. The name and address of the owner. If the holder of any ownership interest in the land is other than an individual, such as a corporation, partnership or trust, a statement

naming the type of legal entity and listing the interest and the extent of any interest of each principal in the entity. For the purposes of this section, "principal" means any person or entity having a ten per cent or more financial interest or, if the legal entity is a trust, each beneficiary of the trust holding a ten per cent or more beneficial interest.

2. The name and address of the subdivider.

3. The legal description and area of the land.

4. A true statement of the condition of the title to the land, including all encumbrances on the land, and a statement of the provisions agreed to by the holder of any blanket encumbrance enabling a purchaser to acquire title to a lot or parcel free of the lien of the blanket encumbrance on completion of all payments and performance of all of the terms and provisions required to be made or performed by the purchaser under the real estate sales contract by which the purchaser has acquired the lot or parcel. The subdivider shall file copies of documents acceptable to the department containing these provisions with the commissioner before the sale of any subdivision lot or parcel subject to a blanket encumbrance.

5. The terms and conditions on which it is intended to dispose of the land, together with copies of any real estate sales contract, conveyance, lease, assignment or other instrument intended to be used, and any other information the owner or the owner's agent or subdivider desires to present.

6. A map of the subdivision that has been filed in the office of the county recorder in the county in which the subdivision is located.

7. A brief but comprehensive statement describing the land on and the locality in which the subdivision is located.

8. A statement of the provisions that have been made for permanent access and provisions, if any, for health department approved sewage and solid waste collection and disposal and public utilities in the proposed subdivision, including water, electricity, gas and telephone facilities.

9. A statement as to the location of the nearest public common and high schools available for the attendance of school age pupils residing on the subdivision property.

10. A statement of the use or uses for which the proposed subdivision will be offered.

11. A statement of the provisions, if any, limiting the use or occupancy of the parcels in the subdivision, together with copies of any restrictive covenants affecting all or part of the subdivision.

12. The name and business address of the principal broker selling or leasing, within this state, lots or parcels in the subdivision.

13. A true statement of the approximate amount of indebtedness that is a lien on the subdivision or any part of the subdivision and that was incurred to pay for the construction of any on-site or off-site improvement, or any community or recreational facility.

14. A true statement or reasonable estimate, if applicable, of the amount of any indebtedness that has been or is proposed to be incurred by an existing or proposed special district, entity, taxing area or assessment district, within the boundaries of which

the subdivision, or any part of the subdivision, is located, and that is to pay for the construction or installation of any improvement or to furnish community or recreational facilities to the subdivision, and which amounts are to be obtained by ad valorem tax or assessment, or by a special assessment or tax upon the subdivision or any part of the subdivision.

15. A true statement as to the approximate amount of annual taxes, special assessments or fees to be paid by the buyer for the proposed annual maintenance of common facilities in the subdivision.

16. A statement of the provisions for easements for permanent access for irrigation water where applicable.

17. A true statement of assurances for the completion of off-site improvements, such as roads, utilities, community or recreational facilities and other improvements to be included in the offering or represented as being in the offering, and approval of the offering by the political subdivision with authority. This statement shall include a trust agreement or any other evidence of assurances for delivery of the improvements and a statement of the provisions, if any, for the continued maintenance of the improvements.

18. A true statement of the nature of any improvements to be installed by the subdivider, the estimated schedule for completion and the estimated costs related to the improvements that will be borne by purchasers of lots in the subdivision.

19. A true statement of the availability of sewage disposal facilities and other public utilities including water, electricity, gas and telephone facilities in the subdivision, the estimated schedule for their installation, and the estimated costs related to the facilities and utilities that will be borne by purchasers of lots in the subdivision.

20. A true statement as to whether all or any portion of the subdivision is located in an open range or area in which livestock may roam at large under the laws of this state and what provisions, if any, have been made for the fencing of the subdivision to preclude livestock from roaming within the subdivided lands.

21. If the subdivider is a subsidiary corporation, a true statement identifying the parent corporation and any of the following in which the parent or any of its subsidiaries is or has been involved within the past five years:

(a) Any subdivision in this state.

(b) Any subdivision, wherever located, for which registration is required pursuant to the federal interstate land sales full disclosure act.

(c) Any subdivision, wherever located, for which registration would have been required pursuant to the federal interstate land sales full disclosure act but for the exemption for subdivisions whose lots are all twenty acres or more in size.

22. A true statement identifying all other subdivisions, designated in paragraph 21 of this subsection, in which any of the following is or, within the last five years, has been directly or indirectly involved:

(a) The holder of any ownership interest in the land.

(b) The subdivider.

(c) Any principal or officer in the holder or subdivider.

23. A true statement as to whether all or any portion of the subdivision is located in territory in the vicinity of a military airport or ancillary military facility as defined in section 28-8461, in territory in the vicinity of a public airport as defined in section 28-8486, on or after July 1, 2001, in a high noise or accident potential zone as defined in section 28-8461 or on or after July 1 of the year in which the subdivision becomes located in a high noise or accident potential zone. The statement required pursuant to this paragraph does not require the amendment or refiling of any notice filed before July 1, 2001 or before July 1 of the year in which the subdivision becomes located in a high noise or accident potential zone.

24. If the subdivision is a conversion from multifamily rental to condominiums as defined in section 33-1202, a true statement as to the following:

- (a) That the property is a conversion from multifamily rental to condominiums.
- (b) The date original construction was completed.

25. Other information and documents and certifications as the commissioner may reasonably require.

B. The commissioner, on application, may grant a subdivider of lots or parcels within a subdivision for which a public report was previously issued by the commissioner an exemption from all or part of the notification requirements of subsection A of this section. The subdivider shall file a statement with the commissioner indicating the change of ownership in the lots or parcels together with any material changes occurring subsequent to the original approval of the subdivision within which the lots or parcels are located. The statement shall further refer to the original approval by the commissioner.

C. If the subdivision is within a ~~groundwater~~ AN active management area, as defined in section 45-402, the subdivider shall accompany the notice with a certificate of assured water supply issued by the director of water resources along with proof that all applicable fees have been paid pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01, unless the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-576 or is exempt from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576. If the subdivider has submitted a certificate of assured water supply to a city, town or county prior to approval of the plat by the city, town or county and this has been noted on the face of the plat, the submission constitutes compliance with this subsection if the subdivider provides proof to the commissioner that all applicable fees have been paid pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01.

D. It is unlawful for a person or group of persons acting in concert to attempt to avoid this article by acting in concert to divide a parcel of land or sell subdivision lots by using a series of owners or conveyances or by any other method that ultimately results in the division of the lands into a subdivision or the sale of subdivided land. The plan or offering is subject to this article. Unlawful acting in concert pursuant to this subsection with respect to the sale or lease of subdivision lots requires proof that the real estate licensee or other licensed professional knew or with the exercise of reasonable diligence should have known that property which the licensee listed or for which the licensee acted in any capacity as agent was subdivided land subject to this article.

E. A creation of six or more lots, parcels or fractional interests in improved or unimproved land, lots or parcels of any size is subject to the provisions of this article except when:

1. Each of the lots, parcels or fractional interests represents, on a partition basis, thirty-six acres or more in area of land located in this state including to the centerline of dedicated roads or easements, if any, contiguous to the land in which the interests are held.

2. The lots, parcels or fractional interests are the result of a foreclosure sale, the exercise by a trustee under a deed of trust of a power of sale or the grant of a deed in lieu of foreclosure. This paragraph does not allow circumvention of the requirements of this article.

3. The lots, parcels or fractional interests are created by a valid order or decree of a court pursuant to and through compliance with title 12, chapter 8, article 7 or by operation of law. This paragraph does not allow circumvention of the requirements of this article.

4. The lots, parcels or fractional interests consist of interests in any oil, gas or mineral lease, permit, claim or right therein and such interests are regulated as securities by the United States or by this state.

5. The lots, parcels or fractional interests are registered as securities under the laws of the United States or the laws of this state or are exempt transactions under section 44-1844, 44-1845 or 44-1846.

6. The commissioner by special order exempts offerings or dispositions of any lots, parcels or fractional interests from compliance with this article on written petition and on a showing satisfactory to the commissioner that compliance is not essential to the public interest or for the protection of buyers.

F. In areas outside of ~~groundwater~~ active management areas established pursuant to title 45, chapter 2, article 2;

1. IF THE SUBDIVISION IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY THAT HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION F, OR IN A CITY OR TOWN THAT HAS ENACTED AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION N, THE SUBDIVIDER SHALL ACCOMPANY THE NOTICE WITH A REPORT ISSUED BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108 STATING THAT THE SUBDIVISION HAS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY, UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

(a) THE SUBDIVIDER SUBMITTED THE REPORT TO A CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY PRIOR TO APPROVAL OF THE PLAT BY THE CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY AND THIS HAS BEEN NOTED ON THE FACE OF THE PLAT.

(b) THE SUBDIVIDER HAS OBTAINED A WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE SUBDIVISION FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108.

(c) THE PLAT WAS APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A CITY OR TOWN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION K OR N, OR BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION G, PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2. IF THE PLAT WAS APPROVED PURSUANT TO AN AUTHORIZED EXEMPTION, THE STATE REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER SHALL REQUIRE THAT ALL PROMOTIONAL MATERIAL AND CONTRACTS FOR THE SALE OF LOTS IN THE SUBDIVISION ADEQUATELY DISPLAY THE FOLLOWING:

(i) THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES' REPORT OR THE DEVELOPER'S BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE REPORT AS APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER.

(ii) A STATEMENT DESCRIBING THE EXEMPTION UNDER WHICH THE SUBDIVISION WAS APPROVED. IF THE PLAT WAS APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A CITY OR TOWN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION K, PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISION (B) OR BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION G, PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISION (B), THE DEED OR CONVEYANCE DOCUMENT SHALL CONTAIN THE DISCLOSURE REQUIRED BY SECTION 33-404. **[Note: The last sentence refers to the exemptions applicable to the transportation of water to a subdivision by motor vehicle or train. Section 33-406 is a new section that requires disclosure of the exemption in the deed or other conveyance document (see pages 24-25 below).]**

2. IF THE SUBDIVISION IS NOT LOCATED IN A COUNTY THAT HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION F OR IN A CITY OR TOWN THAT HAS ENACTED AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION N, AND if the director of water resources, pursuant to section 45-108, reports an inadequate on-site supply of water to meet the needs projected by the developer or if no water is available, the state real estate commissioner shall require that all promotional material and contracts for the sale of lots in subdivisions approved by the commissioner adequately display the director of water resources' report or the developer's brief summary of the report as approved by the commissioner on the proposed water supply for the subdivision.

G. The commissioner may require the subdivider to supplement the notice of intention to subdivide lands and may require the filing of periodic reports to update the information contained in the original notice of intention to subdivide lands.

H. The commissioner may authorize the subdivider to file as the notice of intention to subdivide lands, in lieu of some or all of the requirements of subsection A of this section, a copy of the statement of record filed with respect to the subdivision pursuant to the federal interstate land sales full disclosure act if the statement complies with the requirements of the act and the regulations pertinent to the act.

I. Neither a real estate sales contract, conveyance, lease, assignment or other instrument to transfer any interest in subdivided land nor any covenant or restriction affecting real property shall contain any provision limiting the right of any party to appear or testify in support of or opposition to zoning changes, building permits or any other official acts affecting real property before a governmental body or official considering zoning changes, building permits or any other official acts affecting real property, whether the property is located within or outside of the boundaries of the subdivision. All contractual provisions that conflict with this subsection are declared to be contrary to public policy. Nothing contained in this subsection shall prohibit private restrictions on the use of any real property.

J. Before offering subdivided lands for lease or sale the subdivider who makes any promises through any form of advertising media that the subdivided lands will be exclusively a retirement community or one that is limited to the residency of adults or senior citizens shall include the promises in the deed restrictions affecting any interest in real property within the subdivided lands.

Sec. 4. Section 32-2183, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

32-2183. Subdivision public reports; denial of issuance; unlawful sales; voidable sale or lease; order prohibiting sale or lease; investigations; hearings; summary orders

A. Upon examination of a subdivision, the commissioner, unless there are grounds for denial, shall issue to the subdivider a public report authorizing the sale or lease in this state of the lots, parcels or fractional interests within the subdivision. The report shall contain the data obtained in accordance with section 32-2181 and any other information which the commissioner determines is necessary to implement the purposes of this article. If any of the lots, parcels or fractional interests within the subdivision are located within territory in the vicinity of a military airport or ancillary military facility as defined in section 28-8461, under a military training route as delineated in the military training route map prepared pursuant to section 37-102 or under restricted air space as delineated in the restricted air space map prepared pursuant to section 37-102, the report shall include, in bold twelve point font block letters on the first page of the report, the statements required pursuant to section 28-8484, subsection A, section 32-2183.05 or section 32-2183.06 and, if the department has been provided a map prepared pursuant to section 28-8484, subsection B, section 37-102, the report shall include a copy of the map. The military airport report requirements do not require the amendment or reissuance of any public report issued on or before December 31, 2001 or on or before December 31 of the year in which the lots, parcels or fractional interests within a subdivision become territory in the vicinity of a military airport or ancillary military facility. The military training route report requirements do not require the amendment or reissuance of any public report issued on or before December 31, 2004. The restricted air space report requirements do not require the amendment or reissuance of any public report issued on or before December 31, 2006. The commissioner shall require the subdivider to reproduce the report, make the report available to each prospective customer and furnish

each buyer or lessee with a copy before the buyer or lessee signs any offer to purchase or lease, taking a receipt therefor.

B. Notwithstanding subsection A of this section, a subdivider may elect to prepare a final public report for use in the sale of improved lots as defined in section 32-2101, as follows:

1. The subdivider shall prepare the public report and provide a copy of the report to the commissioner with the submission of the notification required by sections 32-2181 and 32-2184 and shall comply with all other requirements of this article.

2. An initial filing fee of five hundred dollars or an amended filing fee of two hundred fifty dollars shall accompany the notification required by paragraph 1 of this subsection.

3. The department shall assign a registration number to each notification and public report submitted pursuant to this subsection and shall maintain a database of all of these submissions. The subdivider shall place the number on each public report.

4. The department shall determine within fifteen business days after the receipt of the notification and public report whether the notification and public report are administratively complete. The commissioner either may issue a certification that the notification and public report are administratively complete or may deny issuance of the certification if it appears that the application or project is not in compliance with all legal requirements, that the applicant has a background of violations of state or federal law or that the applicant or project presents an unnecessary risk of harm to the public.

5. A subdivider may commence sales or leasing activities as permitted under this article after obtaining a certificate of administrative completeness from the commissioner.

6. Before or after the commissioner issues a certificate of administrative completeness, the department may examine any public report, subdivision or applicant that has applied for or received the certificate. If the commissioner determines that the subdivider or subdivision is not in compliance with any requirement of state law or that grounds exist under this chapter to suspend, deny or revoke a public report, the commissioner may commence an administrative action under section 32-2154 or 32-2157. If the subdivider immediately corrects the deficiency and comes into full compliance with state law, the commissioner shall vacate any action that the commissioner may have commenced pursuant to section 32-2154 or 32-2157.

7. The department shall provide forms and guidelines for the submission of the notification and public report pursuant to this section.

C. The commissioner may suspend, revoke or deny issuance of a public report on any of the following grounds:

1. Failure to comply with this article or the rules of the commissioner pertaining to this article.

2. The sale or lease would constitute misrepresentation to or deceit or fraud of the purchasers or lessees.

3. Inability to deliver title or other interest contracted for.

4. Inability to demonstrate that adequate financial or other arrangements acceptable to the commissioner have been made for completion of all streets, sewers,

electric, gas and water utilities, drainage and flood control facilities, community and recreational facilities and other improvements included in the offering.

5. Failure to make a showing that the lots, parcels or fractional interests can be used for the purpose for which they are offered.

6. The owner, agent, subdivider, officer, director or partner, subdivider trust beneficiary holding ten per cent or more direct or indirect beneficial interest or, if a corporation, any stockholder owning ten per cent or more of the stock in the corporation has:

(a) Been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving fraud or dishonesty or involving conduct of any business or a transaction in real estate, cemetery property, time-share intervals or membership camping campgrounds or contracts.

(b) Been permanently or temporarily enjoined by order, judgment or decree from engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice in connection with the sale or purchase of real estate or cemetery property, time-share intervals, membership camping contracts or campgrounds, or securities or involving consumer fraud or the racketeering laws of this state.

(c) Had an administrative order entered against him by a real estate regulatory agency or security regulatory agency.

(d) Had an adverse decision or judgment entered against him involving fraud or dishonesty or involving the conduct of any business or transaction in real estate, cemetery property, time-share intervals or membership camping campgrounds or contracts.

(e) Disregarded or violated this chapter or the rules of the commissioner pertaining to this chapter.

(f) Controlled an entity to which subdivision (b), (c), (d) or (e) applies.

7. Procurement or an attempt to procure a public report by fraud, misrepresentation or deceit or by filing an application for a public report that is materially false or misleading.

8. Failure of the declaration for a condominium created pursuant to title 33, chapter 9, article 2 to comply with the requirements of section 33-1215 or failure of the plat for the condominium to comply with the requirements of section 33-1219. The commissioner may require an applicant for a public report to submit a notarized statement signed by the subdivider or an engineer or attorney licensed to practice in this state certifying that the condominium plat and declaration of condominium are in compliance with the requirements of sections 33-1215 and 33-1219. If the notarized statement is provided, the commissioner is entitled to rely on this statement.

9. Failure of any blanket encumbrance or valid supplementary agreement executed by the holder of the blanket encumbrance to contain provisions that enable the purchaser to acquire title to a lot or parcel free of the lien of the blanket encumbrance, on completion of all payments and performance of all of the terms and provisions required to be made or performed by the purchaser under the real estate sales contract by which the purchaser has acquired the lot or parcel. The subdivider shall file copies of documents acceptable to the commissioner containing these provisions with the commissioner before the sale of any subdivision lot or parcel subject to a blanket encumbrance.

10. Failure to demonstrate permanent access to the subdivision lots or parcels.

11. The use of the lots presents an unreasonable health risk.

D. It is unlawful for a subdivider to sell any lot in a subdivision unless one of the following occurs:

1. All proposed or promised subdivision improvements are completed.

2. The completion of all proposed or promised subdivision improvements is assured by financial arrangements acceptable to the commissioner. The financial arrangements may be made in phases for common community and recreation facilities required by a municipality or county as a stipulation for approval of a plan for a master planned community.

3. The municipal or county government agrees to prohibit occupancy and the subdivider agrees not to close escrow for lots in the subdivision until all proposed or promised subdivision improvements are completed.

4. The municipal or county government enters into an assurance agreement with any trustee not to convey lots until improvements are completed within the portion of the subdivision containing these lots, if the improvements can be used and maintained separately from the improvements required for the entire subdivision plat. The agreement shall be recorded in the county in which the subdivision is located.

E. If the subdivision is within a ~~groundwater~~ AN active management area, as defined in section 45-402, the commissioner shall deny issuance of a public report or the use of any exemption pursuant to section 32-2181.02, subsection B unless the subdivider has been issued a certificate of assured water supply by the director of water resources and has paid all applicable fees pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01, or unless the subdivider has obtained a written commitment of water service for the subdivision from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-576 or is exempt from the requirement pursuant to section 45-576.

F. IN AREAS OUTSIDE OF ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, IF THE SUBDIVISION IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY THAT HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION F, OR IN A CITY OR TOWN THAT HAS ENACTED AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION N, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DENY ISSUANCE OF A PUBLIC REPORT OR THE USE OF ANY EXEMPTION PURSUANT TO SECTION 32-2181.02, SUBSECTION B UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

1. THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS REPORTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108 THAT THE SUBDIVISION HAS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY.

2. THE SUBDIVIDER HAS OBTAINED A WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE SUBDIVISION FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108.

3. THE PLAT WAS APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A CITY OR TOWN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION K OR N, OR BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION G, PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2.

~~F.~~ G. A subdivider shall not sell or lease or offer for sale or lease in this state any lots, parcels or fractional interests in a subdivision without first obtaining a public report from the commissioner except as provided in section 32-2181.01 or 32-2181.02. Unless exempt, the sale or lease of subdivided lands prior to issuance of the public report or failure to deliver the public report to the purchaser or lessee shall render the sale or lease rescindable by the purchaser or lessee. An action by the purchaser or lessee to rescind the transaction shall be brought within three years of the date of execution of the purchase or lease agreement by the purchaser or lessee. In any rescission action, the prevailing party is entitled to reasonable attorney fees as determined by the court.

~~G.~~ H. Any applicant objecting to the denial of a public report, within thirty days after receipt of the order of denial, may file a written request for a hearing. The commissioner shall hold the hearing within twenty days after receipt of the request for a hearing unless the party requesting the hearing has requested a postponement. If the hearing is not held within twenty days after a request for a hearing is received, plus the period of any postponement, or if a proposed decision is not rendered within forty-five days after submission, the order of denial shall be rescinded and a public report issued.

~~H.~~ I. On the commissioner's own motion, or when the commissioner has received a complaint and has satisfactory evidence that the subdivider or the subdivider's agent is violating this article or the rules of the commissioner or has engaged in any unlawful practice as defined in section 44-1522 with respect to the sale of subdivided lands or deviated from the provisions of the public report, the commissioner may investigate the subdivision project and examine the books and records of the subdivider. For the purpose of examination, the subdivider shall keep and maintain records of all sales transactions and funds received by the subdivider pursuant to the sales transactions and shall make them accessible to the commissioner upon reasonable notice and demand.

~~I.~~ J. On the commissioner's own motion, or when the commissioner has received a complaint and has satisfactory evidence that any person has violated this article or the rules of the commissioner or has engaged in any unlawful practice as defined in section 44-1522 with respect to the sale of subdivided lands or deviated from the provisions of the public report or special order of exemption, or has been indicted for fraud or against whom an information for fraud has been filed or has been convicted of a felony, before or after the commissioner issues the public report as provided in subsection A of this section, the commissioner may conduct an investigation of the matter, issue a summary order as provided in section 32-2157, or hold a public hearing and, after the hearing, may issue the order or orders the commissioner deems necessary to protect the public interest and ensure compliance with the law, rules or public report or the commissioner may bring action in any court of competent jurisdiction against the person to enjoin the person from continuing the violation or engaging in or doing any act or acts in furtherance of the

violation. The court may make orders or judgments, including the appointment of a receiver, necessary to prevent the use or employment by a person of any unlawful practices, or which may be necessary to restore to any person in interest any monies or property, real or personal, that may have been acquired by means of any practice in this article declared to be unlawful.

~~J.~~ K. When it appears to the commissioner that a person has engaged in or is engaging in a practice declared to be unlawful by this article and that the person is concealing assets or self or has made arrangements to conceal assets or is about to leave the state, the commissioner may apply to the superior court, ex parte, for an order appointing a receiver of the assets of the person or for a writ of ne exeat, or both.

~~K.~~ L. The court, on receipt of an application for the appointment of a receiver or for a writ of ne exeat, or both, shall examine the verified application of the commissioner and other evidence that the commissioner may present the court. If satisfied that the interests of the public require the appointment of a receiver or the issuance of a writ of ne exeat without notice, the court shall issue an order appointing the receiver or issue the writ, or both. If the court determines that the interests of the public will not be harmed by the giving of notice, the court shall set a time for a hearing and require notice be given as the court deems satisfactory.

~~L.~~ M. If the court appoints a receiver without notice, the court shall further direct that a copy of the order appointing a receiver be served on the person engaged in or engaging in a practice declared to be unlawful under this article by delivering the order to the last address of the person that is on file with the state real estate department. The order shall inform the person that the person has the right to request a hearing within ten days of the date of the order and, if requested, the hearing shall be held within thirty days from the date of the order.

Sec. 5. Section 32-2197.08, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

32-2197.08. Issuance of public report by commissioner on timeshare plan; denial of issuance; additional information; use of another state's public report

A. On examination of a timeshare plan, the commissioner, unless there are grounds for denial, shall approve for use by the developer a public report authorizing the sale or lease of the timeshare interests within the timeshare plan. For all timeshare interests sold in this state, the commissioner shall require the developer to reproduce the public report and furnish each prospective customer with a copy, taking a receipt for each copy. The public report shall be made available to each prospective purchaser in written format and may also be made available in CD-ROM or other electronic format as approved by the commissioner. The public report shall include the following:

1. The name and principal address of the owner and developer.
2. A description of the type of timeshare interests being offered.
3. A description of the existing and proposed accommodations and amenities of the timeshare plan, including type and number, any use restrictions and any required fees for use.

4. A description of any accommodations and amenities that are committed to be built, including:

(a) The developer's schedule of commencement and completion of all accommodations and amenities.

(b) The estimated number of accommodations per site that may become subject to the timeshare plan.

5. A brief description of the duration, phases and operation of the timeshare plan.

6. The current annual budget if available or the projected annual budget for the timeshare plan. The budget shall include:

(a) A statement of the amount or a statement that there is no amount included in the budget as a reserve for repairs and replacement.

(b) The projected common expense liability, if any, by category of expenditures for the timeshare plan.

(c) A statement of any services or expenses that are not reflected in the budget and that the developer provides or pays.

7. A description of any liens, defects or encumbrances on or affecting the title to the timeshare interests.

8. A statement that by midnight of the seventh calendar day after execution of the purchase agreement a purchaser may cancel any purchase agreement for a timeshare interest from a developer together with a statement providing the name and street address where the purchaser should mail any notice of cancellation. However, if, by agreement of the parties through the purchase agreement, the purchase agreement allows for cancellation of the purchase agreement for a period of time exceeding seven calendar days, the public report shall include a statement that the cancellation of the purchase agreement is allowed for that period of time exceeding seven calendar days.

9. A description of any bankruptcies, pending suits, adjudications or disciplinary actions material to the timeshare interests of which the developer has knowledge.

10. Any restrictions on alienation of any number or portion of any timeshare interests.

11. Any current or expected fees or charges to be paid by timeshare purchasers for the use of any amenities related to the timeshare plan.

12. The extent to which financial arrangements have been provided for completion of all promised improvements.

13. If the timeshare plan provides purchasers with the opportunity to participate in any exchange programs, a description of the name and address of the exchange companies and the method by which a purchaser accesses the exchange programs.

14. Any other information that the developer, with the approval of the commissioner, desires to include in the public report.

15. If the developer is offering a multisite timeshare plan, the following information, which may be disclosed in a written, graphic or tabular form:

(a) A description of each component site, including the name and address of each component site.

(b) The number of accommodations and timeshare periods, expressed in periods of use availability, committed to the multisite timeshare plan and available for use by purchasers.

(c) Each type of accommodation in terms of the number of bedrooms, bathrooms and sleeping capacity and a statement of whether or not the accommodation contains a full kitchen. For the purposes of this subdivision, "full kitchen" means a kitchen having a minimum of a dishwasher, range, oven, sink and refrigerator.

(d) A description of amenities available for use by the purchaser at each component site.

(e) A description of the reservation system, including the following:

(i) The entity responsible for operating the reservation system.

(ii) A summary of the rules governing access to and use of the reservation system.

(iii) The existence of and an explanation regarding any priority reservation features that affect a purchaser's ability to make reservations for the use of a given accommodation on a first reserved, first served basis.

(f) A description of any right to make any additions, substitutions or deletions of accommodations or amenities and a description of the basis on which accommodations and amenities may be added to, substituted in or deleted from the multisite timeshare plan.

(g) A description of the purchaser's liability for any fees associated with the multisite timeshare plan.

(h) The location and the anticipated relative use demand of each component site in a multisite timeshare plan as well as any periodic adjustment or amendment to the reservation system that may be needed in order to respond to actual purchaser use patterns and changes in purchaser use demand for the accommodations existing at the time within the multisite timeshare plan.

(i) Any other information reasonably required by the commissioner or established by rule necessary for the protection of purchasers of timeshare interests in timeshare plans.

(j) Any other information that the developer, with the approval of the commissioner, desires to include in the public report.

16. If a developer offers a nonspecific timeshare interest in a multisite timeshare plan, the information set forth in paragraphs 1 through 14 of this subsection as to each component site.

17. Any other information that the commissioner determines or establishes by rule is necessary to implement the purpose of this article.

B. In the event of denial, suspension or revocation, grounds shall be set forth in writing at the time of denial, suspension or revocation. The commissioner may deny, suspend or revoke the public report on any of the following grounds:

1. Failure to comply with this article or the rules of the commissioner pertaining to this article.

2. The sale or lease would constitute misrepresentation to or deceit or fraud of the purchasers or lessees.

3. Inability to demonstrate that adequate financial or other arrangements acceptable to the commissioner have been made for completion of the timeshare property, installation of all streets, sewers, electric, gas and water utilities, drainage, flood control and other similar improvements included in the offering.

4. The developer, including if an entity, an officer, director, member, manager, partner, owner, trust beneficiary holding ten per cent or more beneficial interest, stockholder owning ten per cent or more of the stock or other person exercising control of the entity, has:

(a) Been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving theft, fraud or dishonesty or involving the conduct of any business or a transaction in real estate, cemetery property, timeshare interests or membership camping campgrounds or contracts.

(b) Been permanently or temporarily enjoined by order, judgment or decree from engaging in or continuing any conduct or practice in connection with the sale or purchase of real estate, cemetery property, timeshare interests, membership camping campgrounds or contracts, or securities or involving consumer fraud or the Arizona racketeering laws.

(c) Had an administrative order entered against him by a real estate regulatory agency or securities regulatory agency.

(d) Had an adverse decision or judgment entered against him involving fraud or dishonesty or involving the conduct of any business in or a transaction in real estate, cemetery property, timeshare interests or membership camping campgrounds or contracts.

(e) Disregarded or violated this chapter or the rules of the commissioner pertaining to this chapter.

(f) Participated in, operated or held an interest in any entity to which subdivision (b), (c), (d), or (e) of this paragraph applies.

5. If within this state, the timeshare property is incompatible with the existing neighborhood and would introduce into a neighborhood a character of property or use that would clearly be detrimental to property values in that neighborhood.

C. If the timeshare property is within ~~a groundwater~~ AN active management area, as defined in section 45-402, the commissioner shall deny issuance of a public report unless the developer has been issued a certificate of assured water supply by the director of water resources and has paid all applicable fees pursuant to sections 48-3772 and 48-3774.01, or unless the developer has obtained a written commitment of water service for the timeshare property from a city, town or private water company designated as having an assured water supply by the director of water resources pursuant to section 45-576.

D. IN AREAS OUTSIDE OF ACTIVE MANAGEMENT AREAS, IF THE TIMESHARE PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN A COUNTY THAT HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION F, OR IN A CITY OR TOWN THAT HAS ENACTED AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION N, THE COMMISSIONER SHALL DENY ISSUANCE OF A PUBLIC REPORT UNLESS ONE OF THE FOLLOWING APPLIES:

1. THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES HAS REPORTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108 THAT THE TIMESHARE PROPERTY HAS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY.

2. THE DEVELOPER HAS OBTAINED A WRITTEN COMMITMENT OF WATER SERVICE FOR THE TIMESHARE PROPERTY FROM A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY BY THE DIRECTOR OF WATER RESOURCES PURSUANT TO SECTION 45-108.

3. THE TIMESHARE PROPERTY WAS APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A CITY OR TOWN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION K OR N, OR BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION G, PARAGRAPH 1 OR 2.

~~D.~~ E. In addition to providing to each prospective customer a copy of the public report as required in subsection A of this section, the developer shall also provide to each customer before the close of any transaction information and materials that identify any timeshare exchange companies currently under contract and disclosure statements regarding the use of the timeshare exchange companies, as well as any additional information the commissioner deems appropriate.

~~E.~~ F. The commissioner may authorize for use in this state by a developer of a timeshare plan in which all accommodations are located outside of this state a current public report that is issued by another jurisdiction or an equivalent registration and disclosure document that is required before offering a timeshare plan for sale, lease or use and that is issued by another jurisdiction. This authorization does not constitute an exemption from other applicable requirements of this article.

Sec. 6. Chapter 33, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 33-406, to read:

33-406. Disclosure of exemption relating to the transportation of water to property by motor vehicle or train; failure to disclose

A. NOTWITHSTANDING SECTION 33-411, SUBSECTION D, EVERY DEED OR CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY, OR AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY, LOCATED IN THIS STATE THAT WAS INCLUDED IN A PLAT APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A CITY OR TOWN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION K, PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISION (B) OR BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION G, PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISION (B), SHALL DISCLOSE IN THE DEED OR CONVEYANCE DOCUMENT THE FACT THAT THE PLAT WAS APPROVED PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTION.

[Note: The exemptions referred to in this subsection are the exemptions applicable to the transportation of water to a subdivision by motor vehicle or train. Section 33-411, subsection D provides as follows: "An instrument affecting real property in this state executed, acknowledged and certified in any other state in accordance with the

laws of that state, shall be valid and entitled to record as if executed in accordance with the laws of this state.”]

B. ANY CONVEYANCE OF REAL PROPERTY OR AN INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY THAT IS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION A AND THAT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE DISCLOSURE REQUIRED BY THAT SUBSECTION IS VOIDABLE BY THE OTHER PARTY TO THE CONVEYANCE. ANY ACTION TO VOID THE CONVEYANCE SHALL BE COMMENCED WITHIN TWO YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF RECORDATION OF THE DOCUMENT AFFECTING THE CONVEYANCE.

C. IF REAL PROPERTY OR ANY INTEREST IN REAL PROPERTY, OR ANY MORTGAGE, DEED OF TRUST OR OTHER LIEN ON REAL PROPERTY, IS ACQUIRED FOR VALUE, THE TITLE, INTEREST, MORTGAGE, DEED OF TRUST OR OTHER LIEN IS NOT IMPAIRED OR IN ANY WAY ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY REASON OF THE FAILURE OF ANY PERSON TO COMPLY WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.

[Note: The language in this section is similar to the language in section 33-404 requiring trustees to disclose in the deed or conveyance the names of the beneficiaries of the trust.]

Sec. 7. Section 33-423, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

33-423. Disclosure; reports; indemnity; applicability

A. A disclosure report authorized pursuant to this section may be provided to the seller of real property by a third party as authorized by the seller and shall be based on officially adopted and electronically posted or otherwise readily available governmental maps or information that discloses whether the real property is subject to any of the following:

1. Special flood hazard areas designated by the federal emergency management agency pursuant to 42 United States Code chapter 50.
2. Military airports or ancillary military facilities as defined in section 28-8461 or as disclosed pursuant to section 28-8484 or 32-2113.
3. Military training routes as shown in the map produced pursuant to section 37-102 and military restricted airspace as shown in the map produced pursuant to section 37-102.
4. Public or private airports that are approved by the federal aviation administration.
5. Expansive soils as shown on maps issued by the natural resource conservation service or on other officially adopted and readily available governmental maps.
6. Soils subject to fissures as shown on maps issued by the Arizona geological survey or on other officially adopted and readily available governmental maps.
7. Special tax assessment areas as shown in the current tax records of the applicable county assessor.
8. Radon gas potential zones as shown on current maps issued by the United States environmental protection agency.

9. Environmental hazard superfund sites as shown in reports from the United States environmental protection agency or on maps issued by the department of environmental quality.

B. A PERSON SELLING REAL PROPERTY THAT WAS INCLUDED IN A PLAT APPROVED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF A CITY OR TOWN PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION K, PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISION (b) OR BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY PURSUANT TO AN EXEMPTION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION G, PARAGRAPH 2, SUBDIVISION (b), SHALL DISCLOSE IN WRITING TO THE BUYER PRIOR TO THE EXECUTION OF THE SALES CONTRACT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

1. THE FACT THAT THE PLAT WAS APPROVED PURSUANT TO THE EXEMPTION.

2. WHETHER THE PROPERTY IS CURRENTLY SERVED BY A WATER SUPPLY THAT REQUIRES THE TRANSPORTATION OF WATER TO THE PROPERTY BY VEHICLE OR TRAIN.

[Note: The exemptions referred to in this subsection are the exemptions applicable to the transportation of water to a subdivision by motor vehicle or train.]

~~B.~~ C. For any third party provider of information as prescribed by this section, the following applies:

1. A seller shall not be required to provide the written disclosure provided by this section to an insurance company, a lender or a governmental agency.

2. The third party provider shall carry insurance coverage with limits of at least ten million dollars per occurrence.

~~C.~~ D. If an action is brought as a result of an error, inaccuracy or omission in the disclosure made only by the third party provider, the third party provider shall provide a defense against the action, shall indemnify the person for any judgment rendered and shall reimburse reasonable attorney fees and costs incurred in defending the action, unless the person had knowledge of the error, inaccuracy or omission or the person modified the disclosure and the modification resulted in the error, inaccuracy or omission. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prohibit a third party provider of information from agreeing by contract that the third party provider shall indemnify a person to a greater extent than is required by this section.

~~D.~~ E. If information that is disclosed pursuant to this section is subsequently rendered inaccurate as a result of any governmental action, map revision, changed information or other act or occurrence after the delivery of the disclosure, no person is liable for the information that was disclosed unless the person had knowledge of the error, inaccuracy or omission.

~~E.~~ F. This section shall not be construed to create a cause of action for the use of maps or other information pursuant to this section. This section does not apply to the sale of real property by any person pursuant to section 32-2183 or section 32-2195.03, or any affiliate of that person.

Sec. 8. Section 45-108, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended to read:

**45-108. Evaluation of subdivision water supply; DEFINITION: NOTICE;
OBJECTIONS; HEARING; APPEALS**

A. In areas outside of active management areas established pursuant to chapter 2, article 2 of this title, the developer of a proposed subdivision including dry lot subdivisions, regardless of subdivided lot size, prior to recordation of the plat, shall submit plans for the water supply for the subdivision and demonstrate the adequacy of the water supply to meet the needs projected by the developer to the director. The director shall evaluate the plans and issue a report on the plans.

B. The director shall evaluate the proposed source of water for the subdivision to determine ~~its ability to meet proposed uses for a period of years commensurate with normal practices in other areas of the state~~ WHETHER THERE IS AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION, and shall forward a copy of ~~such evaluation~~ THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT to the state real estate commissioner AND THE CITY, TOWN OR COUNTY RESPONSIBLE FOR PLATTING THE SUBDIVISION.

C. The director may designate cities, towns and private water companies as having an adequate water supply by reporting that designation to the water department of the city or town or private water company and the state real estate commissioner.

D. The director may designate a city or town that does not directly supply water to customers as having an adequate water supply by reporting that designation to the city or town and the state real estate commissioner if all of the following apply:

1. The city or town has entered into a contract with the United States secretary of the interior or a county water authority established pursuant to chapter 13 of this title for permanent supplies of Colorado river water for municipal and industrial use.

2. The city or town has entered into a contract with each private water company that serves water within the city or town to provide Colorado river water to those private water companies.

3. The Colorado river water for which the city or town has contracted is sufficient together with other water supplies available to the private water companies that serve water within that city or town to provide an adequate supply of water for the city or town.

4. The director finds that new subdivisions within the city or town will be served primarily with Colorado river water by one of the private water companies that serve water within that city or town.

E. The director shall not require a developer to submit plans for the water supply pursuant to subsection A of this section if either:

1. Both of the following apply:

(a) The developer has obtained a written commitment of water service from cities, towns or private water companies that have been designated as having an adequate water supply.

(b) That city, town or private water company has been designated as having an adequate water supply pursuant to subsection C of this section.

2. All of the following apply:

(a) The city or town has been designated as having an adequate water supply pursuant to subsection D of this section.

(b) The developer has obtained a written commitment of water service from a private water company that serves water within that city or town.

(c) The developer has obtained the written concurrence of the city or town that has been designated.

F. The director may revoke a designation made pursuant to this section when the director finds that the water supply may become inadequate.

G. The state of Arizona and the director or department shall not be liable for any report, designation or evaluation prepared in good faith pursuant to this section.

H. IF THE DIRECTOR RECEIVES WRITTEN NOTICE FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF A COUNTY THAT IT HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION F, THE DIRECTOR SHALL GIVE WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE PROVISION TO THE MAYORS OF ALL CITIES AND TOWNS WITHIN THE COUNTY. A CITY OR TOWN THAT RECEIVES THE NOTICE SHALL COMPLY WITH SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTIONS J, K, L AND M.

J. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY" MEANS ALL OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. SUFFICIENT GROUNDWATER, SURFACE WATER OR EFFLUENT OF ADEQUATE QUALITY WILL BE CONTINUOUSLY, LEGALLY AND PHYSICALLY AVAILABLE TO SATISFY THE WATER NEEDS OF THE PROPOSED USE FOR AT LEAST ONE HUNDRED YEARS.

2. THE FINANCIAL CAPABILITY HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED TO CONSTRUCT THE WATER FACILITIES NECESSARY TO MAKE THE SUPPLY OF WATER AVAILABLE FOR THE PROPOSED USE, INCLUDING A DELIVERY SYSTEM AND ANY STORAGE FACILITIES OR TREATMENT WORKS. THE DIRECTOR MAY ACCEPT EVIDENCE OF THE CONSTRUCTION ASSURANCES REQUIRED BY SECTION 9-463.01, 11-806.01 OR 32-2181 TO SATISFY THIS REQUIREMENT.

Sec. 9. Title 45, chapter 1, article 1, Arizona Revised Statutes, is amended by adding section 45-108.01, to read:

45-108.01. Notice; objections; hearing; appeals

A. UPON RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION FOR A WATER REPORT OR AN APPLICATION BY A CITY, TOWN OR PRIVATE WATER COMPANY TO BE DESIGNATED AS HAVING AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY UNDER SECTION 45-108, IF THE PROPOSED USE IS IN A COUNTY THAT HAS ADOPTED THE PROVISION AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 11-806.01, SUBSECTION F, OR IN A CITY OR TOWN THAT HAS ENACTED AN ORDINANCE PURSUANT TO SECTION 9-463.01, SUBSECTION N, THE DIRECTOR SHALL PUBLISH NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION ONCE EACH WEEK FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS IN A NEWSPAPER OF GENERAL CIRCULATION IN THE GROUNDWATER BASIN IN WHICH THE APPLICANT PROPOSES TO USE WATER. THE FIRST PUBLICATION SHALL OCCUR WITHIN FIFTEEN DAYS AFTER THE APPLICATION IS DETERMINED OR DEEMED TO BE ADMINISTRATIVELY

COMPLETE. IF THE APPLICATION IS SUBSTANTIALLY MODIFIED AFTER NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION IS GIVEN PURSUANT TO THIS SUBSECTION, THE DIRECTOR SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE APPLICATION AS MODIFIED IN THE MANNER PRESCRIBED BY THIS SUBSECTION. THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF ANY SUBSEQUENT NOTICE SHALL OCCUR WITHIN FIFTEEN DAYS AFTER THE MODIFIED APPLICATION IS DETERMINED OR DEEMED TO BE ADMINISTRATIVELY COMPLETE.

B. NOTICE PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION A OF THIS SECTION SHALL STATE THAT WRITTEN OBJECTIONS TO THE APPLICATION MAY BE FILED WITH THE DIRECTOR BY RESIDENTS OF THE GROUNDWATER BASIN WITHIN FIFTEEN DAYS AFTER THE LAST PUBLICATION OF NOTICE. AN OBJECTION SHALL STATE THE NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF THE OBJECTOR AND BE SIGNED BY THE OBJECTOR, THE OBJECTOR'S AGENT OR THE OBJECTOR'S ATTORNEY. THE GROUNDS FOR OBJECTION ARE LIMITED TO WHETHER THE INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION IS CORRECT. THE OBJECTION SHALL CLEARLY SET FORTH REASONS WHY THE APPLICATION IS NOT CORRECT.

C. IN APPROPRIATE CASES, INCLUDING CASES WHERE A PROPER WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION HAS BEEN FILED, AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING MAY BE HELD BEFORE THE DIRECTOR'S DECISION ON THE APPLICATION IF THE DIRECTOR DEEMS A HEARING NECESSARY. THIRTY DAYS PRIOR TO THE DATE OF THE HEARING, THE DIRECTOR SHALL GIVE NOTICE OF THE HEARING TO THE APPLICANT AND TO ANY PERSON WHO FILED A PROPER WRITTEN OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION. THE HEARING SHALL BE SCHEDULED FOR NOT LESS THAN SIXTY DAYS NOR MORE THAN NINETY DAYS AFTER THE EXPIRATION OF THE TIME IN WHICH TO FILE OBJECTIONS.

D. IF THE APPLICATION IS FOR A WATER REPORT:

1. IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION IS CORRECT AND THAT AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY EXISTS FOR THE PROPOSED USE, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ISSUE A WATER REPORT STATING THAT THE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION IS ADEQUATE.

2. IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY DOES NOT EXIST, THE DIRECTOR SHALL ISSUE A WATER REPORT STATING THAT THE WATER SUPPLY FOR THE SUBDIVISION IS INADEQUATE.

E. IF THE APPLICATION IS FOR A DESIGNATION OF ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY:

1. IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT THE INFORMATION IN THE APPLICATION IS CORRECT AND THAT AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY EXISTS FOR THE PROPOSED USE, THE DIRECTOR SHALL APPROVE THE APPLICATION.

2. IF THE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT AN ADEQUATE WATER SUPPLY DOES NOT EXIST, THE DIRECTOR SHALL DENY THE APPLICATION.

F. THE APPLICANT OR A PERSON WHO CONTESTED THE APPLICATION BY FILING A PROPER OBJECTION PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION B OF THIS SECTION MAY SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THE FINAL DECISION OF THE DIRECTOR AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 45-114, SUBSECTION B IN THE SUPERIOR COURT.

G. SECTION 45-114, SUBSECTIONS A AND B GOVERN ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS, REHEARING OR REVIEW AND JUDICIAL REVIEW OF FINAL DECISIONS OF THE DIRECTOR UNDER THIS SECTION. IF AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING IS HELD, IT SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN THE GROUNDWATER BASIN IN WHICH THE USE IS LOCATED.

[Note: The following is a proposed new session law.]

Sec. 10. Adequate water supply requirements; amendment of assured water supply rules

A. In determining whether an adequate water supply exists under section 45-108, Arizona Revised Statutes, if the proposed use is located in a city or town that has enacted an ordinance authorized by section 9-463.01, subsection N, Arizona Revised Statutes, or in a county that has adopted the provision authorized by section 11-806.01, subsection F, Arizona Revised Statutes, the director of water resources shall include in the calculation of the projected 100-year depth-to-static water level under R12-15-716(B)(3), Arizona Administrative Code, the estimated water demand of any projected use within the same groundwater basin to which both of the following apply:

1. The use will not be located in a county that has adopted the provision authorized by section 11-806.01, subsection F or in a city or town that has enacted an ordinance authorized by section 9-463.01, subsection N.
2. The use is not included in a submitted application for a water report or a designation of adequate water supply.

[Note: Rule R12-15-716(B)(3) currently provides that the Director shall calculate the 100-year depth-to-static water level by adding the following for the area where groundwater withdrawals are proposed: (1) the depth-to-static water level on the date of application; (2) the projected declines caused by existing uses; (3) the projected additional declines caused by the estimated water demands of municipal providers designated as having an adequate water supply and subdivisions included in issued water adequacy reports, whether adequate or inadequate; (4) the projected declines caused by developments for which the Director has issued an analysis of adequate water supply; and (5) the projected decline caused by the applicant's proposed use. This session law will require the director to also include the projected declines caused by new developments projected to be built in cities, towns and counties that do not have mandatory adequacy requirements. Under this provision, when determining whether there is an adequate water supply for a subdivision in a jurisdiction with a mandatory

adequacy requirement, the director must take into account the water demand of projected developments that may be built with a determination of inadequacy in areas without an adequacy requirement. Without this provision, a subdivision could be approved in a jurisdiction with a mandatory adequacy requirement, but the subdivision's water supply could soon become inadequate because of the water level decline caused by subsequent developments that are built despite receiving determination of inadequate water supply.]

B. The director of water resources shall amend the rules adopted to implement section 45-108, Arizona Revised Statutes, to include the following:

1. Criteria for making determinations pursuant to section 9-463.01, subsection K, paragraph 1, subdivisions (b) and (c), Arizona Revised Statutes, and section 11-806.01, subsection G, paragraph 1, subdivision (a), items (ii) and (iii), Arizona Revised Statutes.

[Note: The statutory provisions referenced in the above paragraph are the provisions that allow a city, town or county that adopts mandatory adequacy requirements to provide an exemption for a subdivision that will be served by a water supply project that will be completed within twenty years if the director determines that the subdivision will have an adequate water supply when the water supply project is completed and that the interim water supply meets all of the criteria for an adequate water supply except that the water supply will not be available for one hundred years. The Department's Adequate Water Supply Rules currently do not contain provisions for making these determinations.]

2. Criteria for demonstrating a physically available 100-year supply of groundwater or stored water to be recovered outside the area of impact, as defined in section 45-802.01, Arizona Revised Statutes, in specific aquifer systems and groundwater basins and sub-basins outside of active management areas. The criteria may include depth-to-static water level limits or limits based on other physical aquifer characteristics that affect the physical availability of water for a proposed use and shall be appropriate for the groundwater basin or sub-basin.

C. In developing rule amendments pursuant to this section, the director of water resources shall consult with cities and towns that have enacted an ordinance authorized by section 9-463.01, subsection N, Arizona Revised Statutes and counties that have adopted the provision authorized by section 11-806.01, subsection F, Arizona Revised Statutes and the cities and towns located within those counties.

